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SUBJECT: GOP WILL CONTINUE CONTROL OF PRESS

1. MIXED WITH THE AVALANCHE OF ECONOMIC DECREES ANNOUNCED JUNE 30, THE GOP ISSUED A DECREE LAW CONFIRMING TRANSFER OF NEWSPAPERS TO RESPECTIVE "SECTORS OF ORGANIZED POPULATION" JULY 27, BUT WITH DIRECTORS AND GENERAL MANAGERS DESIGNATED BY GOP FOR ONE YEAR. WORKERS REPRESENTATIVES ON THE DIRECEIVE COUNCILS OF THE PAPWES WILL BE THREE MEMBERS (OUT OF PROBABLY TOTAL 8), ONE OF WHOM MUST BE JOURNALIST. UNIONS HAD CALLED FOR 50 PERCENT OF TOTAL COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP.

2. IN ADDITION TO NAMING SUITABLE DIRECTORS, GOP PLANS TO ENSURE CONTROL THROUGH 90-DAY SUSPENSIONOF LABOR GUARANTEES FOR WORKERS WHO JOINED PAPERS SINCE JULY 27, 1974 TAKEOVER. DECREE LAW POINTS OUT THAT "DURING ADMINISTRATION OF DAILIES Y THE COMMITTEES (IN LAST YEAR) INFILTRATION OF PERSONS WITH IDEOLOGY DISTINCT FROM THE REVOLUTION HAS BEEN DETECTED IN THE MAJORITY OF PRESS. THE AIM (OF INFILTRATION) HAD BEEN TO USE SAID MEANS
OF NATIONAL EXPRESSION FOR
ENDS DISTINCT FROM THOSE THAT INSPIRED THE SOCIALI-
ZATION OF THE PRESS."

3. COMMENT: AS EXPECTED THE GOP, CONCERNED WITH POSSIBLE COMMUNIST DOMINATION OF PRESS AND PERHAPS
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RETAIN BASIC CONTROL OF PRESS, WHILE GOING THROUGH
MOTION OF TRANSFER TO SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ARE
NOT YET MOLDED TO GOP SATISFACTION. REACTION BY
LEFTIST JOURNALISTS AND OTHER LEFTIST ELEMENTS
OPPOSED TO THIS MEASURE IS ANTICIPATED.
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